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Attn: John J. Wilson

Dear Examiner Wilson:

Responsive to a phone conversation of 12/30/03 with Examiner
Wilson regarding a final issue to resolve to place application in condition
for allowance, it is requested that the following remarks be added to the
file.

The examiner stated that the prior response included substitute
pages in addition to the list of requested changes. This procedure for
responding to PCT applications is not the proper response to a non PCT
application. The Examiner requested that I resubmit the response
without the substitute pages so that the remarks may be added to the
file without the detailed examination of the substitute pages.

Applicant's attorney did locate a statement in the Office Action
dated 6/12/02, Paper 11, Page 4, as follows: